



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 06556.0003-03

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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John POLK)	Group Art Unit: 3629
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Application No.: 09/973,865)	Examiner: John Weiss
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Filed: October 11, 2001)	Confirmation No. 3546
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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS)	
FOR CHILD SUPPORT)	
PAYMENT PROCESSING AND)	
CHILD SUPPORT)	
DISBURSEMENT PROCESSING)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This paper responds to the Final Office Action dated October 12, 2004. With this paper, Applicant also submits a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and required fee, thereby extending the response period to April 12, 2005. Also filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Remarks follow on page 2 of this paper.

Attached to this Reply is a signed Supplemental Declaration of John Polk Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 and accompanying exhibits 1-2.